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1. Volkspolizei School in Boizenburg

- a. The training course lasts 8 weeks. The number of students is estimated at 3000 to 3500 men and women. Sections consisted of approximately 280 men. The sections for women were of about the same size. The men and women receive military training, although the latter are principally trained for office work for the police.
- b. The day begins in the morning at 5:30, after which follows half an hour of morning gymnastics, cleaning of rooms and breakfast. At 7:00 there are military exercises with M.C., carbines 98, Russian machine pistols, field maneuvers, etc. At 11:00 there are classes, with illustrations, in topography, etc. Rest period from 12:00 to 2:00, followed by more training in military affairs. From 4:00 p.m. to 5:00, classes in Russian. At 6:00 instruction in handling weapons, etc. Lights out at 10:00. During the course one section receives instruction in driving automobiles. One is taught radio-telegraphy, using old German radio equipment, such as the FuG VII. These sections also receive military training, as do the others. The instructors are former German Army sergeants.
- c. After the end of the course, examinations are given and the pupils with the best grades receive rewards. Those who do not pass the exams return to civilian life, but are required to report from time to time to the police in their city. Source heard that the latter are required to take a course again the following year. Fifty-five to sixty young people who had completed their training at Boizenburg were set apart and thoroughly equipped. They left Ludwigslust on the D-train in the direction of Dresden.

2. Volkspolizei School in Malchin (Mecklenburg)

A Volkspolizei school in Malchin provided training for 500 men. After their training was completed they returned to civilian life. They continue to receive instructions and must report to the police from time to time. Every trained "Polizist" is sworn to secrecy.

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3. Volkspolizei Navigation School in Ustrow

Since the end of September, 30 members of the Volkspolizei have been housed in the building of the Navigation School at Ustrow. These men are former sailors. Training equipment still in existence at the school is used for their training. The purpose of this training is to prepare them for an examination for chiefs or second mates. The trainees are lodged in barracks and are well cared for. They are isolated from the townspeople and may leave the barracks only in groups.

4. Volkspolizei Maneuvers at Rügen

The units of the Volkspolizei which are situated near Binz held maneuvers which are planned with the assumption that hostile forces are executing a landing. From fortifications in the fields in the coastal area they then make practice defense sorties. Large-scale maneuvers were to take place shortly in this region, as instructions had been given to the Municipal Government to take charge of the billeting when the order for this move arrives. Such an order had not been received by 23 October.

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